Senate File 271 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 271 BY ZAUN

(COMPANION TO HF 26 BY HIGHFILL)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the exercise, by school districts, of any
- 2 broad and implied powers not inconsistent with the laws of
- 3 the general assembly, and to the construction of statutes
- 4 related to school district boards and school districts.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **274.3 Exercise of powers** 2 construction.
- 3 1. The board of directors of a school district shall
- 4 operate, control, and supervise all public schools located
- 5 within its district boundaries and may exercise any broad and
- 6 implied power, not inconsistent with the laws of the general
- 7 assembly, related to the operation, control, and supervision
- 8 of those public schools.
- 9 2. Notwithstanding subsection 1, the board of directors of
- 10 a school district shall not have power to levy any tax unless
- 11 expressly authorized by the general assembly.
- 12 3. This chapter, chapter 257, chapter 257B, and chapters
- 13 275 through 301, and other statutes relating to the boards of
- 14 directors of school districts and to school districts shall be
- 15 liberally construed to effectuate the purposes of subsection 1.
- 16 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 19 This bill relates to the exercise of powers by the board of 20 directors of a school district.
- 21 The bill authorizes a school board to exercise any broad or
- 22 implied power, not inconsistent with the laws of the general
- 23 assembly, related to the operation, control, and supervision
- 24 of the public schools located within its district boundaries.
- 25 However, the authority does not encompass the power to levy
- 26 any tax unless expressly authorized by the general assembly.
- 27 Statutes relating to school boards and school districts shall
- 28 be liberally construed to effectuate the authority granted
- 29 under the bill.